

## JAPANESE GOVT RAISES QUESTION "WHO FIRED FIRST?"

Foreign Office Cancels Previous Denial "Japs" Machine-Gunned Craft

### ASK FOR INFORMATION

Regarding Assertions of Eye-Witnesses To The Incident

By James R. Young  
T. N. S. Staff Correspondent

TOKYO, Dec. 20.—(INS)—The question of "who fired first" was raised by the Japanese Government today as Nippon's foreign office cancelled its previous denial that the United States gunboat Panay was machine gunned by Japanese soldiers before it sank in the Yangtze River.

The Tokyo Foreign Office also stated that Japan wanted more information regarding assertions by eye-witnesses of the Panay attack that the gunboat fired on the Japanese planes which dropped bombs, sending it and three American oil vessels to the bottom.

The official Japanese news agency, in addition, distributed a dispatch stating that a Japanese officer from a Nipponese army motorboat boarded the Panay shortly before the bombing, and "paid his respects to the commander."

Previous reports that the Japanese had boarded the Panay prior to the attack, thus gaining exact information as to its nationality and whereabouts, had led to assertions in American circles that the assault on the vessel was not a "mistake," but a deliberate assault.

Increasing the seriousness of the crisis between Tokyo and Washington over the Panay attack, the Japanese Foreign Office spokesman also admitted that the United States embassy had informed the Japanese Consulate that the Panay would be moving up the Yangtze River on the day the gunboat was attacked.

It was explained, however, that this message "did not reach the army and navy in time to prevent the attack."

The spokesman, furthermore, blamed poor visibility—which he claimed was fogged by smoke from fires burning at Nanking, 26 miles away—for the fact that the Japanese planes bombed the Panay and other American craft, resulting in the deaths of four Americans and one Italian newspaper correspondent.

It was also admitted by the spokesman that Japanese soldiers from an army motorboat boarded the Panay during the interval between the bombing and the moment she sank in the muddy waters of the Yangtze off Hoshien.

But, in the same breath, he questioned whether the Panay's American flag had been hoisted.

This question regarding the gunboat's flag was raised despite the fact that all eye-witness accounts of the affair said the American flag was clearly visible aboard the Panay.

The gunboat's skipper, Lieut.-Commander J. J. Hughes, in his account, which was forwarded to Washington and then sent here for the information of the Japanese Foreign Office, stated the American flag not only was flying at the Panay's mast but was painted on each side of the vessel.

### Plan Series of Meetings For Farmers of County

All farmers are interested in a series of community meetings to be held by the Bucks County Agricultural Conservation Association.

At these meetings the details of the 1938 Agricultural Conservation Program will be discussed and explained, both as to its national aspects and its local application. In addition, the duties of the community committees of the association will be fully explained inasmuch as each of these officers has important duties to perform in administering the program in the county.

Community committees to serve during the coming year also will be elected at these meetings.

The schedule for the meeting follows:

Dec. 28, 2 p. m.—Plumstead Grange Hall, Plumstead and Bedminster.

Dec. 27, 2 p. m.—Richland Grange Hall, Richland, Springfield, Haycock and Milford.

Dec. 27, 2 p. m.—Buckingham Grange Hall, Buckingham and Solebury.

Dec. 27, 2 p. m.—Ivyland Fire Hall, Northampton, Upper and Lower Southampton, Warwick and Warmist.

Dec. 28, 2 p. m.—Travel Club, Cedar St., Bristol, Bensalem, Bristol and Falls.

Dec. 27, 8 p. m.—Trauger's Hall, Ferndale, Durham, Nockamixon, Bridgeton and Tinticum.

Dec. 28, 8 p. m.—Blooming Glen High School, East and West Rockhill, and Hilltown.

Dec. 28, 2 p. m.—Edgewood School, Woodside, Upper and Lower Makefield, Middletown, Newtown and Wrightstown.

Dec. 27, 2 p. m.—Court House, Doylestown, Warrington and New Britain.

### Earl Nickerson Has A Party On 7th Birthday

EDGELEY, Dec. 20.—Earl Nickerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nickerson, celebrated his seventh birthday Saturday by entertaining a few little friends. Decorations were in keeping with the holiday season.

Games were enjoyed with prizes being awarded to George Bowyer for the donkey game; Dolores Bowyer, guessing game; and George Bintliff, Jr., pebble game.

Refreshments were served to: Charles and Lois Bowyer, Gerald Waltherick, Virginia Fahey, Jeannette Hibbs, Teddy Nickerson, Kenneth Elfinger, Fred and Donald Hibbs, William Wolfinger, Gordon Fahey, Doris Nickerson. Earl received many gifts.

### THINK MURDER SUSPECT ONCE IN DETENTION HOME

Records Said To Reveal That Young Bowers Escaped From Doylestown Institution

### STOLE SOME MONEY

According to the records at the Bucks County Detention Home in Doylestown the 19-year old youth, Wendell Forrest Bowers, the alleged slayer of Mrs. Wilma V. Carpenter, Camp Hill, Montgomery County, was at one time an inmate of that institution. It is stated that he served two days in the Bucks County Detention Home in 1932, when he was fourteen and escaped.

Bowers was still at large early today and a nationwide search is being made for the suspect. Taxi drivers and P. R. R. employees think that Bowers was in Bristol early Thursday evening when a strange acting youth rode to the station on a bicycle, bought a ticket for New York, checked the wheel and left on the New York train.

Head Keeper Grant Myers of the Bucks County Prison informed a reporter that he had definitely checked up on Wendell Forrest Bowers, son of a reputable Amherst carpenter, and found him to be the same lad that escaped from the detention home on Broad street, Doylestown, at that time in charge of Miss L. Gertrude Bright, probation officer, by cutting out the door lock with safety razor blades after stealing \$6 in cash and some jewelry belonging to Miss Bright.

Private Felix R. Gowan, of the criminal investigation department of the Doylestown sub-station of Pennsylvania Motor Police, who was dispatched south to follow the murderer, was of the opinion when he left that it is "only a question of time" until Bowers is captured.

Bucks county juvenile court records show that Bowers, in October, 1931, escaped in his night clothes from the New Jersey State Home for Boys at Jamesburg. He was brought back, and a short time later plotted to escape with five other boys. They planned to assault the night watchman, and attendants found a hidden sash weight and piece of heavy rope.

On August 14, 1932, Bowers got into trouble in Bucks county. He was arrested and taken to the Bucks County Detention Home then located on Broad street opposite Court House Park. On a Sunday afternoon, August 14, while Miss Bright was preparing dinner (Bowers was then 14), the youthful criminal cut the wood around his door.

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PLAY TOMORROW NIGHT  
SOUTH LANGHORNE, Dec. 20.—The public is invited to attend "Gloria's Party," a three-act Christmas play, written and produced by Miss Marian D. Oakley, and to be staged tomorrow evening at eight o'clock. The play will be given in Oaklithurst Chapel, Durham Road.

### ENGAGED

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hermann, 2015 Wilson avenue, announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Garnetta Mae Hermann, to Charles Groff, son of Mrs. Joseph Carroll, Torresdale, at a family dinner at the Hermann home, Saturday evening.

### GUN CLUB TO ELECT

EDGELEY, Dec. 20.—Election of officers will occur tonight at the December meeting of Edgely Rod & Gun Club in Headley Manor Fire House at eight o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

### CARDS TONIGHT

Useful prizes are promised those who score high at the card party of American Legion Auxiliary in Bracken Post home, 629 Radcliffe street, tonight at 8:30 o'clock. Mrs. Robert Downing is chairman. Refreshments will be served.

### NOTICE TO PASTORS

Pastors of churches in towns suburban to Bristol are requested to have news of services for next Sunday in the office of The Bristol Courier not later than 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, December 22nd.

Bristol pastors' news should be at the Courier office by 12 o'clock noon, Thursday, December 23rd.

This will assure publication of the week-end services.

### WPA TO MAKE REAL ESTATE REGISTRY FOR PERKASIE BORO'; POLICE, CONSTABLES PRESENT GIFT TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY ARTHUR M. EASTBURN

Plumstead Township Fighting Epidemic of Scarlet Fever In School

### HOSPITAL ADDS STAFF

Grand View Starts New Year With A Resident Physician

Work was begun by the "White Collar" department of the Works Progress Administration on a complete Real Estate Registry of Perkaskie borough.

The plan embodies the making of a map of the borough which will show every parcel of real estate, identified by location, dimensions as well as the name of the owner. Every lot in the borough will be reproduced in drawing, according to an established scale and this will be permanently recorded in book form. One book will remain in the possession of the borough and another will be kept at the office of the Recorder of Deeds in Doylestown. Whenever a parcel of real estate is transferred the change of ownership will be made on the map. In this manner a complete record of real estate ownership will be more conveniently kept.

In several boroughs of the county where this real estate registry has been completed, property valued at thousands of dollars, which had never been assessed, was found.

Officials for this work have been established in the Perkaskie fire house.

District Attorney Arthur M. Eastburn was presented with a handsome engraved automatic cigarette lighter last Thursday evening by the members of the Bucks County Police and Constables' Association, at a meeting at which Judge Paul N. Schaeffer, of Reading, spoke to the members and representatives of civic organizations on the problems presented by juvenile delinquency. The presentation took place in the main court room of the Court House at Doylestown. The lighter was given Mr. Eastburn, who retires from service as District Attorney on January 1, in appreciation of the fine relations that have existed between the members of the association and the district attorney's office during Mr. Eastburn's term.

School officials in Plumstead township are doing all in their power to

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### FEAST IMPORTANT ON CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Preparation of Meals for The Holiday Takes Quite Some Time

### TURKEYS ARE IN FAVOR

By Xmas Gift Seeker

The feast! What an important part that plays in the Christmas celebration, especially as the fine old custom of family gatherings continues year after year!

### FESTIVAL ON WEDNESDAY

The Christmas festival for Bristol Presbyterian Church School will occur on Wednesday at 7:45 in the church. There will be an entertainment of songs and recitations by the beginners', primary and junior department. Singing of carols by the school will also feature. The reading of the prophecies and of the story of birth of the Christ Child will occur. Santa will pay his annual visit with gifts for the small children.

Washington, Dec. 20.—As tension over the Japanese bombing and sinking of the Panay increased, the United States today prepared to embark upon a new, long-range naval program which will call for construction of 11 new battleships during the next decade. The President's budget will call for two of these new 35,000-ton battleships, at least two light cruisers, and eight destroyers and six submarines.

Probably weeks ago the fruit cake and the holiday pudding were made, and the home-makers found great aid for these in the local grocery stores.

But greater demands will be on the shoulders of the countless cooks throughout the next few days. The turkey, goose, duck, chicken, guinea—or others might have already been ordered for the piece de resistance, but if not now is the time. Order early to assure a fine choice.

Of course at the holiday time the pies, the puddings, the cakes, are all thought of. And fruits come to the fore in suggestions, with tangerines, oranges, bananas, apples, grapes, pears, grapefruit, pomegranates, and others suggested. Nuts, too, for the nut-bowl must include almonds, pecans, Brazils, peanuts, hazel-nuts, walnuts, cashews, etc. Not to mention the

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### BABY IS CHRISTENED

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ryan, 329 Radcliffe street, was christened Edward, in St. Mark's Church, yesterday at four p. m., by the Rev. Father Albert Glass. Sponsors were Miss Alice Fisher, Maple Shade; and Vincent Ryan, 625 Radcliffe street, uncle of the baby.

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Shopping days till Christmas

### Banking Institutions To Be Open From Four Until Six

It was announced today that the Farmers National Bank and the Bristol Trust Company will be open Friday, December 24th, from four o'clock until six o'clock in the afternoon instead of from seven until nine in the evening, as is the usual schedule.

The new schedule is in order that the employees of the two institutions may be afforded an opportunity to enjoy the approaching Christmas season.

### WOMAN, 43, DIES OF BURNS; THIRD FATALITY IN WEEK

Mrs. Nunmiller Fatally Burned When Oil Stove Explodes In Home at Neshaminy Falls

### HOUSE LITTLE DAMAGED

The third fatality since last Monday, due to fire, occurred this morning when Mrs. Caroline Nunmiller, 43, Neshaminy Falls, died in the Abington Hospital.

Mrs. Nunmiller was severely burned yesterday morning while in the kitchen of her home on Spruce avenue. It is stated that the oil stove in the Nunmiller home exploded and the woman was badly burned about the face, head, hair, shoulders and chest. She was taken to the Abington Hospital by a neighbor who was attracted by her screams.

Mrs. Nunmiller suffered severely and died this morning at 3:45.

The accident occurred yesterday morning at about 11:30.

Firemen were called and confined the blaze to the rear of the first floor.

Mrs. Nunmiller was the wife of the secretary of the Jewish Cemetery, Philadelphia.

Last Monday morning, Walter Carver, 65, farm hand employed by Mrs. John Negin, Solebury, was burned to death in a fire which occurred at the Negin place.

Wednesday morning Kostonty Kasperowicz, 65, was fatally burned in a fire at the club house of the Croydon Democratic Club, Wyoming avenue, Croydon.

### Children of Veterans Are Entertained At A Party

One hundred and twenty-five boys and girls, the children of veterans, were entertained at a Christmas party by Robert W. Bracken Post members in the post home, yesterday afternoon.

A program of dances by pupils of the Granzow Academy featured; and Santa Claus arrived to distribute candy. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by the Auxiliary members. A lighted tree added to the festivities.

### THE GREAT GAME OF POLITICS

By FRANK R. KENT

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THE Bill Nobody Knows  
PROBABLY there has not been in legislative history a more awful example of confusion than the Crop Control Bill which has just passed the Senate and now goes to conference committee. Eventually it will reach the President.

though when and in what form no one can tell.

IT IS A BILL which satisfies no one, which no one understands and for which there is anything but united demand from the class of citizens it is specially designed to help. Yet, it will pass. Why? Because the Administration wants it.

Because, first, the President called

an extra session for the purpose of doing something more for the farmer and unless some bill is enacted he will appear futile; second, because a majority of Congress is afraid to vote against any farm bill. So, Congress will shortly enact the pending proposal in a form unacceptable to Secretary Wallace, unacceptable to thousands of farmers, incomprehensible to the people, admittedly full of jokers, incredibly complicated and conferring a governmental power over the food supply of the nation, which is the essence of Nazism. The bill has been criticized by its sponsors and assailed as dangerous, unworkable and unconstitutional by such firm friends of the farmer as Senator Borah.

His speech on the subject is reported to have brought a great many letters of approval from farmers.

NO ONE CAN read the Senate record on the subject and feel that

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### Mystery Play Enjoyed At St. Mary's, Burlington

BURLINGTON, N. J., Dec. 20.—The annual Christmas mystery, presented Friday evening by girls of St. Mary's hall, was filled with reverence reminiscent of the miracle plays of the early church.

There were four scenes. The Annunciation, Annunciation to the Shepherds, The Adoration of the Shepherds, and the Adoration of the Magi. Miss Isabelle Brogan, of New York City, was the Virgin, a role she has portrayed for several years.

Before each scene, the Rev. John Falbot Ward, chaplain of the school and rector of historic St. Mary's Church, Burlington, read the story of the Nativity from the Gospels. There was also appropriate carol singing by the school choir and the congregation of parents and friends before the mystery and during it.

At the conclusion of the performance, which is given every year just before the Christmas holidays, the school and a few special guests enjoyed a Christmas feast in the timbered and laurel-decorated dining hall.

### Dinner Served To The Social Club Members

The annual Christmas dinner and election of officers of the Social Club of Rohm & Haas Company was held Saturday evening in the Club House, Maple Beach. One hundred and three were present.

Frank Phipps, retiring president, acted as toastmaster. The menu consisted of: tomato cocktail, roast beef, parsley potatoes, peas, beans, celery, coleslaw, cranberry sauce, peaches, pound cake, candy, nuts, coffee, rolls.

The officers for the ensuing year: President, Francis Lefferts; vice-president, Charles Heliyer; secretary, William Gillies; treasurer, William Sharkey.

### Threat Brings Reply

London, Dec. 20.—Great Britain's threat to parade her naval fleet off the China coast today brought speedy reassurance that Japan does not intend to menace Hongkong.

Widespread reports that British warships are being groomed to speed to the Orient, according to government sources, appear to have had the "desired effect" on Japan.

Britain, it was authoritatively stated, now is satisfied that Hongkong need fear no military onslaught by Nippon.

### SELLERSVILLE CHILD IS OFFERED MOVIE CONTRACT

Paramount is Ready to Sign Josephine Emily Richter, 6, For Three-Year Term

### PARENTS UNDECIDED

SELLERSVILLE, Dec. 20.—Josephine Emily Richter, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Richter, a few days ago received an offer of a three-year contract with Paramount Studios, Inc., New York.

Long an admirer of Shirley Temple and other child movie stars, Miss Richter's pet dream came true with the Paramount offer. But her daddy has not decided as yet whether to accept the offer, which would mean that Mrs. Richter would have to take her daughter to New York to live while the contract was in effect. Mr. Richter is one of the officials of the United States Gauge Company, Sellersville.

Josephine has been a consistent winner of contests for singers, dancers and linguists since she was three years old. Her first prize of any consequence was a silver loving cup for first award in the Sellersville Baby Contest held by St. Agnes' Catholic

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### Seventy-Five Attend X'mas Party of The Jr. C. D. of A.

Junior Catholic Daughters of America held their annual Christmas party Friday evening in the K. of C. home, with 75 in attendance. The evening was enjoyed playing games, dancing and singing carols. The home was decorated in keeping with the season.

During the evening, Santa arrived and distributed gifts. Margaret Carroll and Margaret Fallon entertained by singing; and Lorraine and Mary Fallon, Croydon, who were guests, gave an exhibition of dancing. A lunch was served.

Mrs. Andrew Moore, grand regent of the senior Catholic Daughters, the Rev. Albert Glass, chaplain of junior council; and the Rev. E. Paul Baird, were guests.

The councilors of the various troops attending were the Misses Anita E. Lynn, Mary and Margaret Roarty, Angeline Riley, Marie Gaffney, Mary K. McFadden, Miss Beattie Rafferty, chairman of junior council, was also present. Mrs. Grace Wollard, Mrs. George Heath, Mrs. Nell McIlvaine and Mrs. Gallagher, assisted the councilors at the party.

### DOLINGTON FIRE DESTROYS AUTOS, CROPS AND GARAGE

Two Cars, Truck and Produce Lost When Garage Burns

### ORIGIN IS UNKNOWN

NEWTOWN, Dec. 20.—Two automobiles, a truck, several pieces of farm machinery and a considerable amount of farm produce were destroyed late Saturday afternoon when fire leveled a combination garage, wagon house and storage barn on the farm of R. Walker Worstall, on Monteville Road, Dolington.

The cause of the blaze has not been determined. Three men were milking cows in another barn about 100 yards away when they noticed smoke pouring from the garage. On reaching the structure, they found it a mass of flames and were driven back by the intense heat.

An alarm was turned in and the Union Fire Company, of Titusville and Washington Crossing, and fire companies from Newtown and Yardley responded. With no water available, firemen used chemicals in an attempt to check the blaze. Nothing could be saved however, and the firemen confined their efforts to preventing the other farm buildings from becoming ignited.

In addition to the automobiles, truck and farm machinery, 800 bushels of corn, 50 bushels of potatoes and a number of valuable antiques which were stored in the building were lost. The damage is estimated at several thousand dollars.

### Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Laing Entertain at Drag Hunt

Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Laing entertained a number of guests yesterday at a drag hunt, with a cocktail party following at their home on Newport Road from three to six o'clock.

During the two and one-half hour hunt the party traversed 20 miles of scenic country in lower Bucks county.

The guests were inclusive of: Dr. Russell Hunsberger and Newton Hunsberger, Collegeville; Dr. and Mrs. Edward Barnes, Woodbury, N. J.; and Mrs. Joseph Clark, Ward Sullivan, Dr. Walter Hassell, Clarence Powell, Miss Marie Leonard, Philadelphia; Dr. and Mrs. Albert Gonzalez, Mr. and Mrs. William Stanley and daughter, Mrs. Emma Grupp, Miss Sara Granzow, Messrs. Vincent and Hutchinson, Croydon; Miss Lynn Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coates, Captain and Mrs. J. Lamb and party, Mrs. Marian D. Morreo, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox, Mr. and Mrs. William Weinmann, Mrs. Jack Spencer, Miss Buswenger, Trenton, N. J.

William Surdez, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Houston Dunn, Newportville; George Reynolds, Hulmeville; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ewing, Morrisville; Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Norton, Thomas Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Ball, Henry Lentini, Dudley Bell, Miss Hazel Lynn, Joseph Peirce, Miss Frances Blanche, Carl Schilling, Thomas Doron, Jack Gavegan, Marty Green, Frank Donnelly, Bristol; Miss Marie Williams, Fallsington.

Entertainers were present from Trenton, N. J.

### TRUCK DRIVER IMPROVES

It was stated at Harriman Hospital this morning that Peter Biebel, 2258 N. Hancock street, Philadelphia, who was injured here, Saturday, is doing nicely. Biebel has painful burns, which probably will keep him in the hospital for some time, but he has regained consciousness. Biebel was injured and burned when the tractor he was operating spanning Otter Creek, the heavily loaded trailer dangling in Otter Creek. The doors of the cab were jammed tight, and Biebel smashed the glass and crawled through a small opening after the vehicle caught fire.

### TIDES AT BRISTOL

High water ..... 4:26 a. m.; 4:55 p. m.  
Low water ..... 11:35 a. m.; 12:08 noon

### FIVE PLAINTIFFS IN SUITS TO RECOVER \$23,500 DAMAGES

Three Suits Are Filed In The Court of Common Pleas At Doylestown

### ONE WANTS \$10,000.00

One Accident Occurred Here On May 30, 1936, Record Shows

In three damage suits filed in the Court of Common Pleas, Doylestown, three of the five plaintiffs are women, and claim damages amounting to \$23,500.

Gloria V. Millard et vir, Edward J. Millard have filed an action in trespass against Chrissie Ahart, Bristol, claiming damages for \$7500. The plaintiffs, who reside in Croydon, allege that their car figured in an accident with a car driven by the defendant September 28 at the Bristol Pike and Newportville Road intersection.

Mrs. Millard was operating the car at the time of the collision, and her claim involves the sum of \$5,000 for injuries sustained. In his own behalf, Mr. Millard is claiming the sum of \$2500 for damages.

Claiming damages of \$10,000, Susan R. Aull, 1163 Chambers street, Trenton, N. J., has named Franklin Mahla, 5425 North Palethorpe street, Philadelphia, the defendant in an action in trespass.

According to the statement of claim, the plaintiff was operating her car May 30, 1936, when it collided with a car driven by the defendant at the Frankford-Bristol Road and Farragut avenue intersection in Bristol.

Plaintiff Aull alleges that she was compelled to undergo hospitalization in the Harriman Hospital, and that she expended great sums for medical treatment and aid. Storage and transportation expense amounted to \$423.

Dr. J. Fred Wagner, 435 Radcliffe street, Bristol, has been named the defendant in an action in trespass by Howard and Pearl Wilson, who claim damages amounting to \$5,000.

Pearl Wilson, in a statement of claim, alleges that she was driving a car at the intersection of Green Lane Road and Route 13, April 14, when it collided with a car driven by the physician.

She claims the sum of \$125 as damages to her car and \$5,000 for injuries sustained, and Howard Wilson claims the sum of \$1,000 for expenditures involved.

### Shepherds Lodge Conducts A Service In Haddonfield

Members of Shepherds Delight Lodge, No. 1, Shepherds of Bethlehem, paid a visit in Haddonfield, N. J., yesterday, at the Shepherds Home. It was the local group's day for a song service, program being in charge of Mrs. David Neill. Christmas carols were sung, and an address was delivered by Mrs. Paul Morse.

Those who attended from this section: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Streeter, Mrs. David Neill, Mrs. Wesley Bunting, Charles Bunting, Mrs. William Borchers, Mrs. Alfred McLaughlin, Mrs. Warren Thompson, Mrs. Robert Patterson, Mrs. Ryan Londer, Mrs. Harry Hinman, Mrs. Harry Arnold, Mrs. Edith Ratcliffe, Mrs. William Harding, Mrs. Grace Hinchliffe, and Mrs. Mary Frantz, Bristol; Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn and children, Mrs. William Walton, Hulmeville; Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson, Philadelphia.

Robert Townsend entertained by singing, and played several selections on his guitar.

### Holiday Party Enjoyed By Members of S. S. Class

Mrs. Rex Hunter, Bristol Terrace, was hostess to members of the Sunday School Class of Bristol Methodist Church, taught by Miss Anna Heritage, at a Christmas party, Friday evening.

Business was followed by a social time. A sketch, in pantomime, entitled "The Lamp Went Out," by Mrs. David Hutchinson, Mrs. Harry Sutton, Mrs. Moss Shatzer and Miss Edna McClune, was much enjoyed. Miss Louise Stewart favored with accordion selections.

The rooms were decorated in keeping with the Yuletide. Lunch was served at tables decked with miniature Christmas trees and lighted candles



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### VERY POOR TEAMWORK

The Japanese army and navy never have given the Japanese foreign office the best of diplomatic teamwork. So Japanese naval officials can run true to form when they selected a moment at which Tokyo diplomats were falling all over themselves with apologies, promises of indemnity and assurances that the Panay incident would not be repeated, for issuance of a navy manifesto, brazenly warning American and British naval officers that the Japanese are all ready for new attacks on neutral warships.

That is the only interpretation which can be placed on the statement by Japanese naval authorities at Shanghai, suggesting that the best way to guard against further attacks would be to withdraw neutral warships.

Much can be said in behalf of withdrawal of American naval and military forces from China. But the subject for saying anything on that place is Washington, not Shanghai or Tokyo. For many years before outbreak of the present Sino-Japanese war, American, British and other Western ships of war had been on duty in Chinese waters. The Chinese had a right to protest, if they so desired, but the Japanese who also kept warships in Chinese waters, had and have no right to protest.

American ships have as much right to be in the Yangtze River as Japanese ships have. China is the only nation which properly can demand withdrawal of foreign craft from that river and other Chinese waters; and China has not asked Americans to get out.

If Japan really wants America and Britain to withdraw their naval and military forces from China, the Japanese are going about their job in the wrong way. Ruthless violence and insolent threats will make it only the more difficult to enlist American and British public opinion in support of such withdrawal.

### THAT PURCHASING POWER

Representative Mead of New York, remarks that "the drive for a balanced budget, while a noteworthy achievement under normal conditions, accelerates deflation. It reduced purchasing power, increases our jobless army and reduces the nation's income, which has mounted from \$36,000,000,000 in 1933 to \$70,000,000,000 this year."

When the government primes the pump, it does so with money it takes from the people, through taxes, direct and indirect. It can return to them no more than it takes from them; what it returns must always be a little less than what it takes.

As a matter of fact, the government does not create wealth, hence it does not add to national income. Mr. Mead's jubilation over the increase in national income from 1933, the lowest year of the depression, to 1937 is just a bit premature. The year 1937 is fast fading and so is its high figure of income.

Only the productive energy of industry can supply lasting purchasing power; government spending is no sound substitute therefor. Some day congressmen may come to realize that fact.

Joe Kennedy is going to London. But no one has found a good spot yet for Hugh Johnson.

What has become of the fellow who always was asking what had become of the old-fashioned winter?

## ECHOES OF THE PAST

By Courier Staff Member

Review of the news as it appeared in the Bucks County Gazette issue dated at Bristol, June 8, 1876. The Gazette, a weekly newspaper published in Bristol, was discontinued following its merger with the Courier.

At about 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning an alarm of fire was given, and it was soon ascertained that a house on Mill street by the railroad was in flames. The fire companies were early on the ground, and while the engine was being fired, efforts were made to stay the flames. The rear portion of the roof of the house occupied by M. V. Dey was all aflame, and was spreading rapidly. Ladders were quickly raised, a line formed to the mill race and buckets of water passed to parties on the roof, and thus by keeping the surroundings wet, it was prevented from communicating to other buildings. Soon two streams of water were brought to play on the fire, from the engine, and the flames were checked. Some little dissatisfaction arose between the two companies, but it was doubtless caused through the excitement of the moment, and not from any premeditated intention. The fire was entirely extinguished in less than an hour, and the loss to the building will not exceed \$1200.

The commencement exercises of Andalusia College, Andalusia, will be given on Wednesday next, preparatory to the Summer vacation. Prof. Fetterolf, the principal of this school, is a practical instructor, and the college under his charge has gained an enviable reputation.

Mrs. A. M. L. Potts, M. D., is delivering a series of lectures at Humesville this week on physiology.

Mr. P. L. Courier, the hotel keeper at Ulbertown, of this county, had his house robbed on Tuesday evening of last week of about \$50 or \$60 in money, the most of his clothes, and a pair of boots and shoes. It is supposed they turned the key that was left in the door by means of nippers or some such appliance.

H. B. Eastburn, who has been coun-

ty superintendent of public schools since his appointment in June 1870, has tendered his resignation to State Superintendent Wickersham. During this time he has worked energetically in the interest of schools, and has effected much good. His resignation is sincerely regretted by the teachers and all interested in education. It is supposed that Mr. E. will accept the position of principal of the State Normal School at Indiana (Pa.) which he has been tendered.

The toll house of Isaac Yerkes, on the Second street pike, in Southampton, was broken into and robbed on Saturday night or early Sunday morning. The thieves secured about \$30 in money. An entrance was effected by breaking open a window on the first floor. Nothing was taken but the money which was in a secretary—a gold watch being undisturbed; showing that the burglars must have been frightened while at work.

Three inmates of the county jail escaped on Tuesday.

Rev. C. E. Harden, pastor of the

### THIS DATE IN NEWS OF PAST

Monday, December 20  
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15 Years Ago Today—Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was organized at Moscow.

1803—United States took possession of Louisiana territory from France.

1835—Texas declared its independence from Mexico.

1840—Ordinance of secession was passed by special convention in South Carolina.

1907—Irene Dunne, photoplay actress, was born.

Baptist Church, at this place, tendered his resignation on Sunday last, to take effect on July 1st. Mr. Harden is well liked by his congregation, and his resignation is much regretted. He has done much to build up his church, and by his unostentatious character has gained many friends.

The quarterly convention of the Good Templars of Bucks County was held at Dillington, on Saturday last, Hannah E. Holcomb, of Newtown, presiding. Reports from the various lodges were read, and after the regular business, literary exercises were given. The next convention will be held at Ivyland, at a time to be named by the executive committee.

A meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church was held last Monday evening for the purpose of electing a board of trustees, and the following were elected: Symington Phillips, H. M. Wright, John Hope, Martin Van Harlingen, William H. Booz, James M. Slack, and Charles W. Pierce.

Bristol wants a chief engineer for her fire department.

There are 631 scholars in the Bristol Borough public schools.

Charles E. Banes intends building four dwellings on Penn street, at a cost of \$5,200.

The Rev. D. H. Shields, formerly pastor of the Methodist Church at Morrisville, was married on Wednesday last, to Miss Lizzie VanDeVenter, of Richboro.

### The Great Game of Politics

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The men who discussed the bill understood it. Doubt has been expressed publicly that the President knows what is in it. Certainly it is hard to believe that if he had the leisure to study and digest he would support it. The sum it may cost the Government annually is deeply shrouded in mystery. Estimates run from half a billion to a billion and a half. No one knows, no one can do more than guess. A few weeks ago Mr. Roosevelt urged that the cost of the new bill be held to half a billion and said

that should it go above that amount it would be essential for Congress to raise additional revenue. Treasury had no funds to meet an issue to meet the increased expense. His argument was that the additional drain and that unless the limit he recommended were fixed all budget calculations would be dislocated. The inference was that he would veto the bill if his request were disregarded.

IN FACE OF that clear-cut statement the Senate last week voted down—49 to 23—a proposal to fix the limit asked by the President. It did more than that—it not only refused to fix a limit but it refused to put into the bill any provision for raising revenue at all. It seems incredible that a President with the power accredited to Mr. Roosevelt can secure the passage of a bill of this kind and yet be unable to pull it into it provisions he regards as vital. Even more extraordinary is the fact that the amendment to do the thing the President requested was offered and advocated by his political opponent and a Republican—Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan—and opposed by the President's personal friend, Senator Barkley, of Kentucky, official Administration leader in the Senate, made such through the President's influence. "Dear Alben," as he is often called, voted against the amendment and carried with him enough stalwarts to insure its defeat.

THIS indescribably adds to the confusion. Beyond dispute the amendment carried out the expressed wish of the President. The President's leader hardly would oppose the President's wish. Yet he voted against the amendment and took along enough Administration Senators to defeat it. The situation is made the more absurd by the fact that some nineteen Democrats, who are for economy and budget balancing, did not vote at all. If there is a way of reconciling these things with reason, it would be interesting to know it. When the facts are reviewed it is not surprising that average citizens do not comprehend what is happening in Washington and that good many have given up trying.

### HULMEVILLE

The Misses Katherine and Anna Folsenberg moved last week from Main street to the home of their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Belknap, Bellevue avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bilger, Jr., have changed their place of residence to the house vacated by the Misses Folsenberg.

Following operations and lengthy period of treatment in the Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, Harry Claus has returned to his home in Bensalem Township.

The Methodist official board will meet this evening at the home of the Messrs. George Douglass and Samuel K. Faust.

### 27-INCH MAPLE LEAF

GIG HARBOR, Wash.—(INS)—When He recently picked up a leaf which "bigger and better" maple leaves are measured 27-inches from tip to tip.

## Behind the Scenes in HOLLYWOOD

By HARRISON CARROLL  
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HOLLYWOOD—Lights! Camera! Action! If Hollywood influences American behavior, it soon will become an old-fashioned idea that a man can't hit a woman.



Priscilla Lane

Myrna Loy was mugged up in "Double Wedding", Carole Lombard and Fredric March fought to a finish in "Nothing Sacred", Claudette Colbert and Gary Cooper take smacks at each other in "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife" and the argument is being carried on by Priscilla Lane and Wayne Morris in "Everybody Was Very Nice".

We arrive on the set this week to find Morris standing over the prostrate Priscilla, whom he has just knocked down and given a black eye.

"You hit me, you unspeakable monster!" she cries. "You can't get away with that!"

Whereupon she jumps up and hits him in the eye with a book. Director Stanley Logan and the two players have staged the fight so well that it will look like the real thing on the screen.

It may be prophetic that Morris and Priscilla Lane play a married couple in this picture. For they are carrying on a romance away from the camera. Hollywood thinks this is a publicity stunt, but it isn't.

Priscilla frankly admits that they may get married.

"Not just now," she says, "because we both have careers to think of. But Wayne and I are serious about each other."

Morris beams proudly and says: "How'm I doing?"

On another stage at Warners' "The Adventures of Robin Hood" has changed directors midstream. The quiet-voiced William Keighley has given way to the strident Michael Curtiz.

Mike is a fine director and is one of Hollywood's funniest characters. An Hungarian, he has never been able to master the English language. His sayings

are funnier than the ones attributed to Goldwyn.

In a discussion of world religions, he recently exclaimed: "Take it from me, Buddha, Mohammed, Confusion, they are all the same."

Today he is directing a scene in which a mob of soldiers, led by Basil Rathbone, pursue the fleeing Robin Hood out of Nottingham castle.

Mike is excitable at all times. One of his assistants happens to be across the set when he calls. As the man comes running up, Mike shouts in annoyance: "Listen, the next time I want you, you should be standing right on top of the camera, panting like a tiger!"

There is drama as well as comedy on this set today. As the armored knights come rushing out of the castle, you notice a familiar face. It is Stuart Holmes. The king of heavies of the early screen playing minor support to Basil Rathbone, who carries the scepter in Hollywood today.

On the first day of a picture, things seldom run smoothly. It is noon when we visit "The Joy of Loving" set at R-K-O and Director Tay Garnett is just getting ready to make his first shot.

It is of Irene Dunne, a famous Broadway star fighting through a crowd in her dressing room after a first night. The women in the crowd wear evening clothes, and most of the men are in tails.

There are a few in business suits who are wearing their hats. They are reporters. Mr. Garnett thinks that reporters would keep their hats on in a star's dressing room on first night.

Irene Dunne expresses to us the feeling of almost all players about the early scenes of a picture. "If we could only go back and retake them later," she says. "They are never later."

There is irony in the reappearance of Miss Dunne on the R-K-O lot. She once was under contract there, getting about \$50,000 a picture. They let her go because she wanted more.

For "The Joy of Loving," they are paying the star around \$125,000 plus a bonus of over \$40,000 because the picture started late.

## "GIVE HER WINGS" by MARIE BLIZARD

### CHAPTER XXIII

The first thing that Julie noted in the Corn Club was the number of attractive men and the not too attractive women. Her practiced eye swept the room; she wondered what Paul Hitchcock would be like. She hadn't the faintest remembrance of him. She had seen his name, read about him in the Ramsey Alumni magazine.

Then, suddenly and quietly, he was standing at her side. The best looking of all the men gathered around the bar. He was of medium height, had sleek dark hair and his face was browned like the Lombards'. He wore a casual white linen suit and he had tired eyes, an interesting mouth.

"Don't introduce me," Julie said to Nancy who had started to speak. "I've known Mr. Hitchcock for so many years! He was one of my early heroes." She held out her hand with a straight-forward gesture. "I'm Julie Allerdice from Fayette. My Dad's at Ramsey."

"And did you say that I was one of your early heroes?" Paul clasped her hand firmly and held it, smiling down at her.

"Is that exactly what all the girls say to you?" Julie asked with an assumed air of embarrassment.

"It never sounded quite as nice before. Besides, I wasn't really listening—I was looking at you, wondering how I got through Fayette without knowing you." His eyes seemed to sweep all of her at once.

"Little girls of twelve weren't very popular with the boys then," she answered demurely.

"I think you'd have been popular with me at any age. I would like to have dangled you on my knee."

They both laughed.

Nancy said, "You can dawdle here as long as you like but I insist that my husband feed me. I haven't had anything all day except orange juice and one anchovy. Stanley . . . do you think we can get a corner table?"

Paul ordered Julie's dinner for her and she ate every morsel of it without having an idea of what it tasted like. She was dining with a millionaire, talking to him on equal grounds. It was equal ground, of course. She was important in her own right. Wasn't she a well-known flyer? And wasn't she the daughter of his ex-teacher, and as such, didn't she have a kind of social position?

It wasn't as though she were a telephone operator or a chorus girl or something like that, she thought. Besides she was the guest of the Lombards who were his hosts as well.

She decided that the Lombards must be very rich. That conclusion was reached on the premises that they owned a place on Long Island, and that Nancy had a clipped voice.

Julie was impressed by the Lombards. She was intelligent enough to know that it was Nancy who impressed her. Men—even Paul Hitchcock who was a millionaire—as individuals did not have that effect upon her; she had nothing to learn from them.

Looking at Hitchcock from under her long lashes she met his eyes saying silent things to her. His eyes were amused. They disconcerted her. She thought; he must ask to see me again.

For the first time in her life she encountered a situation that she could not develop. There was nothing that she could say or do to show him that she wanted to see him again.

Driving her back to the Consular they talked—the other three—about the tennis tournament at Forest Hills.

At the door of the hotel Nancy said, "So nice to have met you. I hope we'll see you soon again."

"Thank you," Julie said. "This evening has been great fun! And it was very nice for me to meet you." Her glance swept all of them.

Paul took her to the elevator. "Where will you be in the morning? I'll telephone you."

"I'll be here until eleven. Please do."

Now that that was settled, she could give her attention to other people. Mainly to Nancy Lombard. Nancy had said it was nice to have met her but she didn't say anything definite about seeing her again. Julie intended that she should.

"Dance?" Paul asked. His lips asked, his voice didn't. He hadn't said anything for a long time. They'd been sitting silently across a narrow table, looking at each other, smiling. Paul had moved a bowl of yellow roses so that he could hold her tapering finger tips in his brown hand.

She shook her head. Her softly breaking smile seemed to say, "Let's not break this lovely communion between us."

The orchestra played *Smoke Gets In Your Eyes*. The music was indoors, its haunting melody wafted out to the terrace lingering on the pale night with the same subtle delicacy of the stars above them, the perfume about them which lent them a background and did not intrude.

"You're like smoke and flame," Paul said softly.

Julie had thought of that when she bought the gray tulle gown that afternoon. It had cost more than she could afford but when she saw what the cloudy swirl of gray did to her eyes making them look smoky under her lashes and pointing up the shining glory of her burnished hair, she had been unable to resist it.

"There is no flame," she said. "I'm a cool, calm, collected young woman."

"About to be collected," he amended.

She smiled and thought about time. There was so little time for collecting of any sort. She had come a great distance along the path of her dreams in a little more than a week. In one day, it was only the night before that she had met Paul Hitchcock and now she was dining with him at a Long Island Inn. They had come such a distance in their attraction for each other that they could sit for hours murmuring, smiling, saying nothing.

But she was Cinderella and if her hour of midnight was yet three days off it was too near for her not to be conscious of it.

Thursday was a day of doom for her. She tried to think philosophically that it might have been Sunday and she would not have met Paul Hitchcock had not Mrs. Derwent asked her to address the Calumet Political Club on Wednesday. Miss Higgenbotham said she would arrange for Julie's tickets to Fayette on Thursday.

Her life in Fayette with its simple routine, its placid days and slowly moving hours was something apart from her, something that she re-

membered from a dream. This was reality. This day that had begun when Paul telephoned her at eleven and said, "You know that you're dining with me." He hadn't even asked her what her plans were. She said that she didn't know, she didn't believe that she could. He said, "I'll call for you at eight."

Miss Higgenbotham had been at her heels until nearly four. She'd taken Julie to the company offices to meet the executives, to see the press book with the countless pictures of Julie standing slim, lovely and smiling beside the now famous plane. Julie bit her under-lip when she saw them and regretted that she hadn't demanded money for all she had done.

Then at four she had got away, bought the tulle gown and returned to her hotel to find that Jean Vance had called on her. At another time she would have felt disappointed to have missed Jean. She meant to telephone him. Perhaps Jean would invite her to visit her for a few days.

"One dance, lovely, and then we'll go."

Dancing with Paul, sitting smoothly into his embrace, following his steps with feathery lightness, Julie wanted it never to end. Her hand on his broadcloth shoulder felt the texture of the fabric, the hardness of his shoulder. Close to him, she could smell the scent he used, see that his linen pocket handkerchief was finer than silk.

Turning her head slightly she saw him not as her dancing partner but as a part of a conglomerate picture. A series of pictures on a page of a smart news magazine. She saw him in polo togs, at the wheel of a speed boat. She saw him hunting big game. She also saw him hunting herself but, to herself, she was big enough game to be illusions about his hunting, but she had confidence in herself.

The music ended. They returned to the table and Paul slipped her taffeta cape about her shoulders. The enchanted evening was ending. There was yet a long ride back to town with her nestling under his arm in the seat of the roadster. It wouldn't be like the last four hours. It would be ending—

At her hotel he said, "Lunch tomorrow at one? No, let's make it twelve. I know a place that's cool even at noon in New York. Do I pick you up somewhere other than here?"

Julie said, "Do you always get what you want?"

"If I do this time, I'm the luckiest man in the world . . . what made you ask that question?"

"No particular reason . . . only that I'm to be here such a little while and have so many things to do . . . well, aren't you monopolizing me?"

"Certainly," he returned affably. "But you won't do much better in New York in July. I've been told I have social talents. Others too."

"I'm sure of the social ones," she answered coolly. "And since I'm not likely to know about the others, your standing is safe."

"I work fast as you will see."

Julie gathered her tulle skirts about her and raised her eyebrows.

He laughed. "Don't let me frighten you away, little girl."

"I'm not frightened," she said. "It's been a lovely evening. Thank you, Paul."

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## In a Personal Way

INTERESTING bits of news mainly about people you know. A chronicle of the activities of the people of Bristol; their goings and comings. ■ ■ ■

## Events for Tonight

Card party by American Legion Auxiliary in Bracken Post home, 8:30 p. m.  
Turkey card party by A. O. H. in A. O. of H. Hall.

## IN NEW HOMES

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Spencer and family have moved from 249 Madison street to their new home on Radcliffe street.

## YULETIDE PLANS

The Yuletide holidays will be passed by Miss Gladys Rhenard in Catawissa; by Miss Irene Paulus in Slatington; Miss Elva Cryse in Picture Rocks; and Miss Margaret Miller in Allentown; Miss Mollie Brace in Falls; Miss Claire Coles in Ventnor, N. J.

## STUDENTS TO ARRIVE

The following students will pass the holidays at their respective homes here: Jack Pieters, of St. Charles Seminary, Overbrook; Miss Phyllis Kallenbach, of West Chester State Teachers College; Miss Marion Burton, of George School, Newtown; David Abbott, of Pennington, N. J. Seminary; Miss Charlotte Abbott, of Wilson College, Chambersburg; Miss Frances Wallin, of George School, Newton; Miss Estelle Burton, of Earlham College, Ind.; Wayne Warner, of University of Alabama.

## ARE INVITED HERE

William Phillips, a student at Peddie Institute, Hightstown, N. J., was a guest during the week-end of Robert Ruchl, 314 Cedar street, prior to leaving for Ocean City, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zamell and son Robert, Atlantic City, N. J., will arrive Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Girard, 709 Pine street, for the week-end. Mrs. Zamell and son will remain at the Girard home for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Kueny and son, and Mrs. Mary Dyer, Mayfair, and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Satterthwaite, Madison street, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Satterthwaite, West Circle.

## HAVE HOLIDAY PLANS

Ralph Cahall, Washington, D. C., will spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Cahall, 248 Monroe street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Leedom, 254 Radcliffe street, will entertain on Christmas Day; Mr. and Mrs. Algeron Cadwallader and family and Miss Elizabeth Weeks, Yardley; Miss Ellen K. Leedom, Wildwood, N. J., and Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Kuehner, Philadelphia, GOES TO CLIFTON  
William Ross, 1711 Farragut ave.

one, spent Friday until Sunday visiting friends in Clifton, N. J.

## VISIT IN TOWN

Mrs. M. Harkins, Philadelphia, spent Sunday visiting her sister, Mrs. Grace Wollard, Buckley street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dooley and sons, Paul and Thomas, Narberth, spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Dooley's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Barnfield, Wood and Walnut streets, also her parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ennis, Bath street.

## Sellersville Child Is Offered Movie Contract

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Church three years ago. Since then the talented little lady received all sorts of mentions and prizes in the North Penn Valley, Allentown, Philadelphia and New York.

The most recent recognition Josephine has had was an audition by Major Bowes, famous discoverer of amateur talent. She will appear on a Major Bowes program in the near future.

Paramount's offer, although a small one financially, might lead to bigger things if Miss Richter's parents choose to accept. Her mother says if the contract can be shortened to a year or 18 months it may be more practical.

For her age Josephine is undoubtedly one of the most talented children in the North Penn Valley. She can speak a fluent English, German and French, in addition to being a good dancer and pianist. She has an excellent singing voice, which is one of the talents which won her a movie offer. During November she sang over a Columbia hookup. The movie offer is for her to appear in a Paramount comedy known as "Comedy Kids." These are filmed in New Jersey.

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## Feast Important On Christmas Program

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many kinds of candy; and also the pop-corn for the tots.

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The beverages are becoming more numerous each year, both those of the variety, or those to use at the beginning of the menu. Suggestions to be given are: Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, drinks made from grains, the juice of pineapple, grapefruit, orange, peach, apricot, prune, tomato, sauerkraut.

Of course the householder who has great forethought will look over her supply of condiments, seasonings, staple goods for baking and cooking; and will also place her order for bread, rolls, or special cakes at the bakers.

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Food Store, Pond street, near Lincoln avenue; the several Frankford Grocers in town, and Rocky's delicatessen store.

## TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

Bristol twp.—Fidelity Bldg. Assn. to Philip C. Ahter et ux, lot, \$250.

Lower Makefield—Clement B. Webster, Jr., et ux, to S. Emilen Stokes et ux, lot.

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Hilltown—Marie V. Welsh to Martin Roth et al, 41 acres, 7 perches.

Buckingham—John Frazier, Jr., to Karen L. Righter, 60 acres, 150 perches.

Bedminster—Annie Roth to Jacob Bartholomew et ux, lot, \$5,000.

Newtown—Heirs of Anna E. Worthington to Alfred A. Errico, et ux, lot, \$2200.

## LEGAL

## NOTICE

In the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County

Notice to JOSEPH H. SATTERTHWAITE, if living, and to his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns if deceased.

You and each of you ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Mabel Parkinson Townend, has filed in the Court of

Common Pleas of Bucks County, a petition for the satisfaction of a mortgage, dated April 1, 1852, for the sum of Six Hundred (\$600.00) Dollars, recorded in the Recorder's Office at Doylestown, in and for the County of Bucks, in Mortgage Book No. 24 page 319, which mortgage is a lien upon the following described premises of said Petitioner;

ALL THAT CERTAIN Message and Tract of land, situate in the FIRST WARD of the Borough of Bristol, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and BOUNDED and DESCRIBED as follows:

CONTAINING seventeen feet in front on the northwesterly side of Wilson Street and extending in length or depth between parallel lines at right angles to said Wilson Street one hundred and eight feet, more or less, to the side of a public alley bounded on the southwest by land now or late of George W. Boileau, Jr., and on the

northeast by land now or late of Joseph Cooper; together with the right and privilege to the said Parkinson, his heirs and assigns, to have the house erected upon the above described lot project about three feet over the line and join the end of the house upon the lot now or late of the said George W. Boileau, Jr., as it now does.

That said mortgage remains open and unsatisfied, and by reason of the lapse of time, it is presumed that said mortgage has been paid in full.

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE NOTIFIED to be and appear before the said Court at Doylestown on Monday, January 3, 1938, and show cause if any you have why the said mortgage should not be ordered and decreed to be satisfied by the Court, and in event you shall fail to appear, the said Court will be asked to decree a satisfaction of the said mortgage.

HORACE E. GWINNER, Sheriff.

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## Announcements

## Deaths

MINSTER—At Tullytown, Pa., December 17, 1937, Helen K., wife of Elmer Minster. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral on Tuesday at 2 p. m. from her late residence, Main St., Tullytown, Pa. Interment Tullytown Cemetery. Friends may call Monday evening.

VAN SANT—At Trenton, N. J., 7th day, 18th inst., Lydia T., wife of Theodore F. Van Sant. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the services at the church home of Ivins & Taylor, 77 Prospect St., Trenton, N. J., on 4th day, 22nd inst. at two o'clock Interment at Somerset, Pa. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9.

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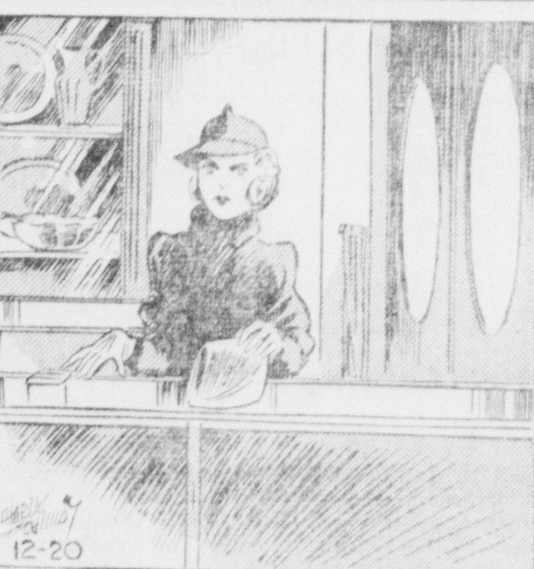
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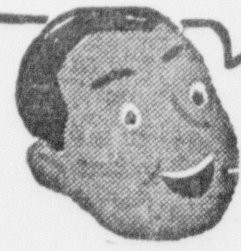
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HIGH SCHOOL SEXTET  
POINTS TO TITLE VICTORY

By Louis Tomlinson

Whereas all six of the starters on the '37 Cardinal and Gray quintet will not be among the '38 squad, conditions on the other side of the basketball court at Bristol are just vice-versa.

Coach "Peg" Pope has all six of her regular starters from the '37 team back again this year, plus many of the first string substitutes, a number of J. V. girls, and several newcomers, all of whom look promising. Five of the six who were starters last year and who appear good choices to win their berths again this year, are Seniors, having three years' experience behind them, while the other is a Junior with two years' experience. They are Janice Jeffries, ace forward; Mary Eckert and Molly Wright, centers; and Martha Gibson, guard—all Seniors. Mary Yates, a guard, is a Junior.

However, Ruth Jeffries, Elvira Paglione and Blanche Kwansol, forwards, up from the J. V. squad, and Ethel Link, a newcomer this year, who is also a forward, may give the varsity quite a struggle for the up front posts. Link and Paglione are outstanding, according to Miss Pope, being especially good at shooting.

Others up from last year's J. V.'s include: Mary Napoli, forward; Lyla Davidson, Esther Tomlinson and Mary Mack, centers; and Thelma Johnson and Maryanne Duffy, guards. The latter was a center last year, but is being shifted to guard this year.

The rest of the squad is made up of newcomers, all of whom are Sophomores and Freshmen. They are Bernadine Coyle, Anna Warwick, and Emma Sharp, forwards; Doris Sutton, Peg Wildman, Naomi Davidson, Mary Brown, centers; Olive Winslow, Josephine Ross, Emma Spezzano, guards. The latter pair team together very well, Coach Pope stated.

Graduates last year whose places will be taken by the newcomers are: Berenice Brunner and Betty Beswick, guards; and Alberta Larzelere, center, of the varsity. Evelyn Buck, Betty Hamme, forwards, and Mary Rehnitt, a guard, were from the J. V. squad.

The team has been practicing once a week since September 29, and beginning December 1, they worked out daily for one week, after which one-hour practices four days a week became the present schedule. With the varsity having two or three years' experience behind them and with plenty of good reserve material, the girls are looking forward to a big year. In fact, as Miss Pope stated, "It looks like our year."

However, they expect plenty of trouble from Morrisville, their old nemesis, and must hurdle them if they hope to win the county crown. Others on the schedule who appear troublesome are Frenchtown, N. J. S. D., and George School.

The girls will play 15 games this year, eight of which are League contests. They play eight games home and seven away, opening with Buckingham at home, Tuesday, January 4, and closing with Frenchtown, Tuesday, February 22.

The Girls Varsity basketball schedule for 1938, is as follows:

Date	Team	Place
Tues. Jan. 4	*Buckingham—home	
Fri. Jan. 7	*Alumni—home, pending	
Tues. Jan. 11	*Frenchtown—away	
Wed. Jan. 12	George School—away	
(pending)		
Fri. Jan. 14	*Bensalem—away	
Tues. Jan. 18	*Southampton—away	
Fri. Jan. 21	*N. J. S. D.—home	
Fri. Jan. 28	*Morrisville—home	
Tues. Feb. 1	*Buckingham—away	
Fri. Feb. 4	*N. J. S. D.—home	
Tues. Feb. 8	*Bensalem—home	
Fri. Feb. 11	*Southampton—home	
Tues. Feb. 15	*Upper Moreland—home	
Fri. Feb. 18	*Morrisville—away	
Tues. Feb. 22	*Frenchtown—home	

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Bensalem—Hannah Allen et vir to Chester Kasprzak et ux, lot.  
Northampton—William Sturm et ux to William Kusak, 2 acres.  
Quakertown—Quintus H. Martin to Richard E. Fosbender et ux, lot.  
Middletown—Clarence D. Oakley to Robert Bruce Hippie, lots.  
Middletown—Pauline K. Hippie, Exr. to Adelaide Peters, lots.  
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check an epidemic of scarlet fever which has developed in the Dyer's Hill

school, a short distance south of Danboro. School attendance was cut to almost half during the past week or more because a number of children were confined to their homes with attacks of scarlet fever or the mumps, and because a number of the parents kept their children out of school because they were afraid they might contract the disease. During the past few days, according to a member of the board, three more cases of scarlet fever developed in an attempt to prevent the spread of both the mumps and scarlet fever, the board had the school house fumigated over the weekend.

This Christmas season will be particularly enjoyed at the Quakertown Stove Works, because of the addition to the personnel of S. C. Sommer, of Peoria, Illinois, who will assume the honor and responsibility of being the president and treasurer of the Quakertown Stove Works—with all its fine traditions. The connection will date from December 15. Mr. Sommer will spend a good deal of his time in Quakertown. He comes from a family of industrialists, his father having been one of the founders of the Keystone Steel & Wire Works, of Peoria, Illinois.

Grand View Hospital starts the New Year with a Resident Physician, following approval of the Board of Directors at their regular monthly meeting.

The Medical and Surgical Staff had previously taken favorable action after investigating the applications of Dr. A. S. Ripa, of East Boston, Mass., and others. The Doctors' selection of Dr. Ripa followed after he had visited Grand View for an interview. Dr. Ripa reports for duty January 2.

Think Murder Suspect  
Once In Detention Home

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with a safety razor blade and used a coat hanger to pry out the lock frame. Bowers then ran to the rear of the second floor of the detention home intending to jump out a window. He saw someone below and darted to the front of the house, ran downstairs and escaped out a front door.

Bowers, at that time hitch-hiked to Mechanics Valley and then got a ride to Trenton. He stole \$6 in cash from Miss Bright and some jewelry. Bowers was arrested on the information of

Raymond Kelly, of Morrisville, before being committed to the Bucks county detention home. He was connected with the theft of equipment from two boats anchored in the Delaware River near Morrisville. At that time he was also wanted for stealing bicycles in North Wales, his home at that time.

Bowers was caught hiding along the

shore of the Delaware River on the Jersey side opposite Yardley and was taken back to Doylestown. On August 16, 1932, President Judge Hiram H. Keller committed him to the Glen Mills Reformatory School for an indeterminate sentence. Justice of the Peace Neal Nolan of Morrisville, at that time, sought to have Bowers released

in the custody of his parents, but they did not want him, even at that age, and some food," he said. "I wanted to because he was continuously getting into trouble."

"I just wanted to get out and get away," Bowers told Miss Bright, probation officer, after he had been captured following the escape from her detention home. "I spent the six bucks

show that when the lad was "written up" here in 1932, he had served time in Jamesburg, N. J., Egg Harbor (N. J.) Detention Home and Cape Charles, Va.

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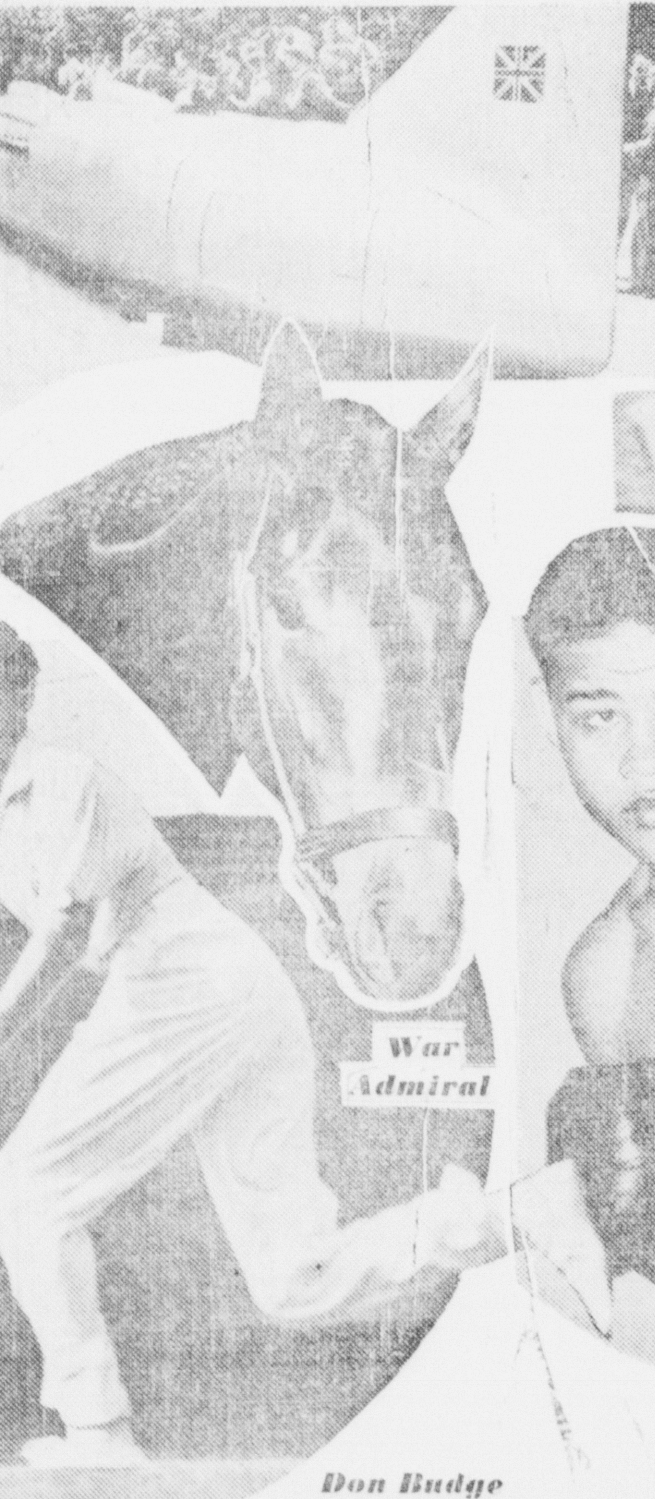
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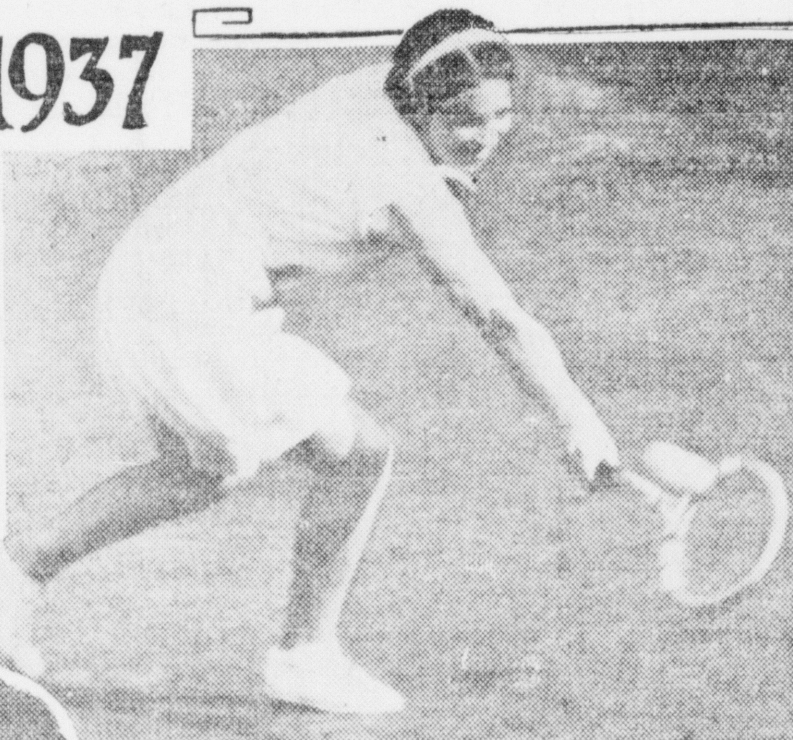
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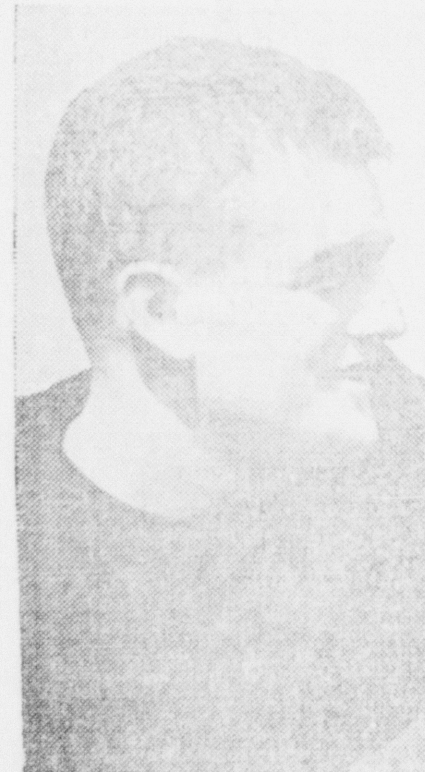
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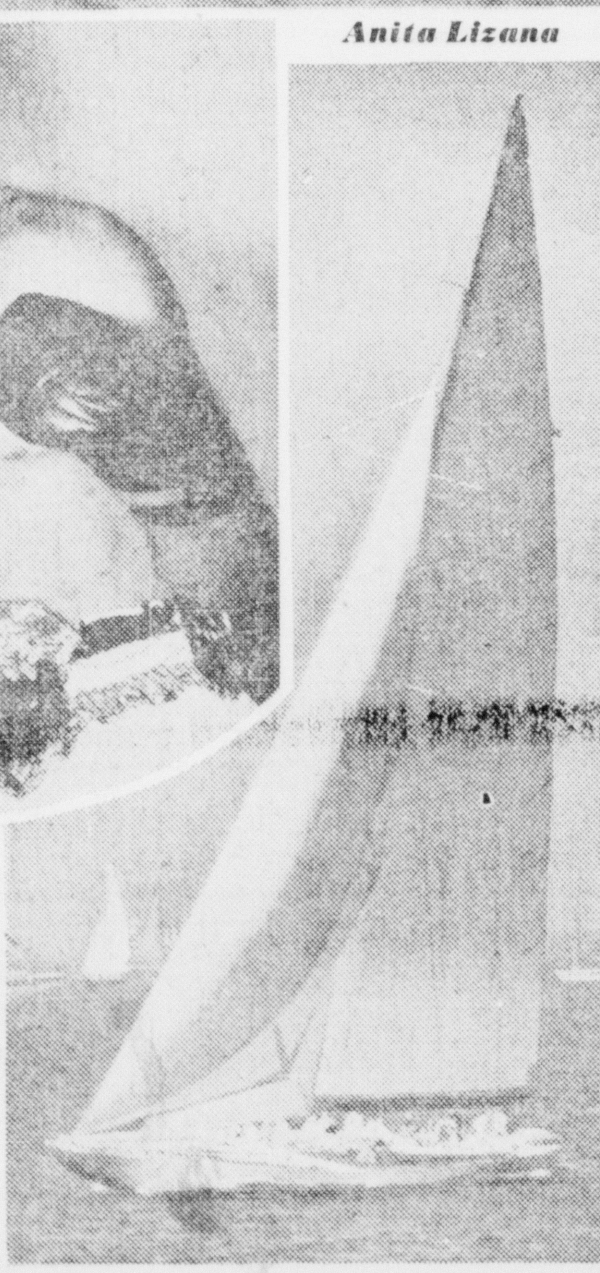
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Ralph Greenleaf, of New York, for the 11th time, won the pocket billiards championship of the world. Clint Frank, captain of Yale's grid squad, was hailed as one of the outstanding backs of the year for his spectacular play with a team that met but one defeat. Johnny Goodman, of Omaha, romped off with the National Amateur golf championship, while Ralph Guldahl won the National Open Links title. Youthful Marjorie Gestring, of Los Angeles, won the outdoor title for diving from the ten-foot board. In his powerful, rebuilt car, Capt. George Eyston, of England, flashed over the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah for a new speed record of 311.42 miles an hour. Outstanding thoroughbred was War Admiral, three-year-old son of Man-O-War, and winner of the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness Stakes and other important stake races. Don Budge, of Los Angeles, came into his own as a net star by winning the National Men's Singles Tennis Championship after playing a large part in bringing back the Davis Cup to this country. The powerful University of Washington crew again won the Poughkeepsie Regatta, "National Championship" in American rowing world. Mile Anita Lizana, of Chile, was the surprise winner of the Women's National Tennis Championship, played at Forest Hills, New York. Joe Louis, of Chicago, dethroned Jim Braddock to be crowned king of the heavyweights. The "Ranger," owned and skippered by Commodore Harold Vanderbilt, repelled another attack by T. O. M. Sopwith's "Endeavor II," to keep the America's Cup in this country. Joe Di Maggio, of San Francisco, outfield star of the New York Yankees, World Series winner, was selected as the second most valuable player in his league, but considered the America's Cup in baseball. Mrs. Estelle Lawson Page, of Memphis, Tennessee, defeated Patty Berg for the Women's National Golf Championship. (I. I. N.)